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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
TADASHI OKAMOTO ET AL. ) : Examiner: Unassigned  
Application No.: 09/764,050 ) : Group Art Unit: Unassigned  
Filed: January 19, 2001 ) : 1637  
For: DETECTION/QUANTIFICATION )  
OF TARGETED NUCLEOTIDE )  
CHAINS, AND DETECTION/ )  
QUANTIFICATION OF MULTI- )  
FOLD NUCLEOTIDE CHAINS )  
BY FLUORESCENCE ) : August 2, 2001

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to receipt of the first Office Action on the merits, the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the subject application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please substitute the TITLE OF THE INVENTION section at page 1, lines 1-4 with the following replacement Title section. A marked-up copy of this section, showing the changes made thereto, is attached.